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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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BANKS.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

INCORPORATED BY NATIONAL DECREE OF 7TH AND 8TH MARCH, 1848.

—and—

BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF 26TH JULY, 1864, AND 31ST DECEMBER, 1866.

Recognised by the

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

Paris. & Sterling.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 80,000,000 3,200,000

RESERVE FUND, 20,000,000 800,000

HEAD OFFICE:—14, Rue Bergère, Paris.

LONDON AGENCY:—144, Leadenhall St., E.C.

AGENCIES:—At Nantes, Lyons, Marseilles, Brest, Bombay, Calcutta, St. Denis (Ile de la Réunion), Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:—Bank of England, Union Bank of London.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balance, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

CHIEF DE GUINÉE, Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 14, 1876.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman:—E. R. BELLIOS, Esq.

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CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, JAMES GREIG, Esq.

Manager.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum,

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

WE have authorized Mr HUGO LUBBER to sign our Firm at Foochow per procuration.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, May 16, 1876.

NOTICE

I have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procuration.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

NOTICE

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr J. ALABON in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last. The Business will be carried on under the style of MEYER & Co.

MEYER, ALABON & Co.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Halphong and Hanol. Mr E. CONSTANTIN is authorized to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1876.

NOTICE

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Ship-brokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.

E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE

THE Undersigned has been appointed SURVEYOR to LLOYD'S REGISTER at this Port.

R. H. CAIRNS.

1, Club Chambers, Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya, on

FRIDAY,

the 26th May, 1876, at Noon,—

White Shirts, Linen Handkerchiefs, Cotton Socks, Tooth Brushes, Paint

Brushes, White and Black Sewing Thread, Walkden's Extra Ink, Day and

Martin's Shoe Blacking, Flower Vases, Bath Bricks, Sundry Furniture,

5 cases Cologne Water, 10 Large Tents, complete, Old Metal and Leather,

1 Dog Cart, 1 Light American Trap,

do., do., do.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, May 23, 1876.

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For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

WE beg to call special attention to our Show-room and Ladies' Outfitting Departments.

We are offering a fine assortment of Japanese Silks, which will wear well, at 65 cents per yard, worth \$1.

Summer Dresses:—

Satin Striped Poplins.

Figured Poplins.

Fancy and Plain Grenadines.

Black and Fancy Gauzes.

Fancy Silks. Black Silks.

Niagara Striped Muslins.

White Brilliantes.

A lot of Lace Goods at less than half price.

Made-up Wrappers and Costumes.

Embroidered Skirts.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing.

Straw Hats and Bonnets.

Feathers and Flowers.

Ladies' and Children's Hosiery.

Our Dressmaking Department is under the supervision of a Court Dressmaker.

Our Millinery Department is under the supervision of a West End Milliner.

SAYLE & Co.,

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

NOTICE

TUDOR COMPANY.

ON and after this Date, the Retail Price of our NATURAL ICE will be ONE CENT per Pound.

JOHN F. HORGAN, Agent.

Tudor Ice House, Hongkong, May 4, 1876.

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TAKASIMA COLLIERY.

FOR SALE, Large Takasima Coal, at \$3 per ton, ex Godown. Small Takasima Coal, \$4 per ton, ex Godown.

Apply to

T. G. GLOVER,

No. 7, Queen's Road, and at East Point, Hongkong, May 16, 1876.

FOR SALE,

VERY Handsome PHAETON.

1 Set Double HARNESS, nearly new.

1 Set Single HARNESS.

Apply to

L. MALLORY,

No. 2, St. John's Place, Hongkong, April 19, 1876.

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Intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1853.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876.

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HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,

38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETERS,

do., do., do.,

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

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AH YON,

SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE,

No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUC-

TION OF THE PRICE OF THE

"SHANGHAI COURIER AND CHINA GAZETTE,"

IT WILL BE THE

CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA

and as a large

INCREASE OF CIRCULATION

MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED, THE

ADVANTAGE TO

ADVERTISERS

IS OBVIOUS.

F. KRUPP'S CAST STEEL WORKS,

Essen (Germany.)

Sole Agent for China,

F. PELL,

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, COLOGNE (Germany.)

AFONG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,

Governor of Hongkong;

and to

H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA,

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB,

HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views, do., of Amoy, Formosa and all the different Chinese Ports.

Also, a large assortment of Photographic Albums, Frames, Writing Cases, Desks and many other ornamental and useful articles too numerous to mention.

Hongkong, May 15, 1876.

LOONG SHING & Co.,

DEALERS IN ANCIENT CHINESE CURIOSITIES

AND

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

No. 34, Wellington Street, HONGKONG.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of DANG JAK, Deceased.

" do. LEONG ATOCH, " "

" do. JOHN DODD SMITH, " "

" do. AH FONG, " "

" do. JAMES FREEMAN, " "

" do. TOU QUANG, " "

" do. HUNG CHEW SZ KI, " "

" do. FELIPE A. DE SOUZA, " "

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, Section III, an order has been made by the Honourable Sir JOHN MALE, Knight, Chief Justice of Hongkong, limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their Claims against the above Estates to SATURDAY, the 30th day of September, 1876, on or before which date all Claims must be proved, otherwise they will not be included in the scheme of Division.

All Persons indebted to the said Estates are requested to make immediate payment to

F. S. HUFFAM,

Official Administrator.

Hongkong, May 20, 1876.

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NOTICE

P. & O. S. N. COMPANY.

THE "HINDOSTAN," leaving here with the Mails of the 20th inst., and subsequent Mail Steamers, until further notice, will proceed direct to Southampton.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 9, 1876.

Intimations.

NOTICE

WITH a view to the Immediate Reduction of the Large and Valuable STOCK OF JEWELLERY, WATCHES, and CLOCKS,

SILVER and ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, MUSICAL BOXES, do., do., do.,

OF THE LATE

Mr. G. B. FALCONER,

the Administratrix to the Estate has resolved that it shall be placed at the disposal of Purchasers at Prices CONSIDERABLY UNDER THE ORIGINAL COST.

The Stock, which is well known to be the Largest and most Complete in the East, or out of London, has been all selected from London and other Manufacturers of the highest eminence for quality, exquisite finish, and artistic designs, so that probably no such opportunity can present itself again to buyers of selecting from a Stock so Magnificent with such inducements.

The Stock will be open for Inspection at the Greatly Reduced Prices on and after MONDAY, the 22nd Instant.

G. FALCONER & Co.

Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 19, 1876.

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NOTICE

D. R. STOUT will be absent after MONDAY, the 29th of May, for a few weeks. Upon his Return he purposes Reducing the Scale of his Charges Twenty-five per cent.

Hongkong, May 28, 1876.

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Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

SIGNORA COPPA'S ITALIAN OPERATIC TROUPE, will have the honor of giving their Farewell Concert at the above Theatre

TO-NIGHT,

the 25th May, 1876. The following will be the Programme:

PART I.

1. GRAND DUO, "V. VESPERI SICILIANI"—Signori Neri and Rossi.—Verdi.

2. GRAND ARIA, "ISABELLA D'ARAGONA"—Signora Coppa.—Pacini.

3. SCENA & ARIA, "DON CARLOS"—Signor Rossi.—Verdi.

4. TRIO FROM "LUCEZIA BORGIA"—Signora Coppa, Signori Neri and Rossi.—Donizetti.

PART II.

5. DUO FROM "LA TRAVIATA"—Signora Coppa and Signor Rossi.—Verdi.

6. GRAND ARIA FROM "LA AFRICANA"—Signor Neri.—Meyerbeer.

7. ROMANCE, "ATA STELLA CONFIDENTE"—Signora Coppa.—Rolandi.

8. ROMANCE FROM "IL BRAVO"—Signor Neri.—Mercadante.

9. GRAND TRIO FROM "ENNANI"—Signora Coppa, Signori Neri, and Rossi.—Verdi.

Tickets sold by Messrs KAUF & Co., and at the Door of the Theatre on the night of Performance. Prices of Admission, Dress Circle and Stalls, \$2; Back Seats, \$1.

Doors Open at 8, and Performance to Commence at 9 o'clock.

Hongkong, May 25, 1876.

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Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SAIGON.

The British Steamer "FERNAMBUCCO,"

Capt. HYDE, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 26th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

AH YON,

Hongkong, May 24, 1876.

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STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S.S. "BOMBAY"

will leave for the above place a few hours after the arrival of the *Tokoro* with the next English Mail, instead of the *Sunda* which was previously circulated.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 28, 1876.

CASTLE LINE OF STEAM

Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,
ISMAILA, FORT SAID, NAPLES,
AND MARSEILLES;
ALSO,
PONDICHERRY, MADRAS AND
CALCUTTA.

ON SATURDAY, the 27th May,
1876, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. *AVA*, Commandant FLEURBAIS,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon,
Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 26th May, 1876. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.
DANISH BEER from the TUBORG
FABRIKKE.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, May 18, 1876. my30

FOR SALE.

200 Casks CLARITY from BORDEAUX.
Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, March 10, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
"AMOI,"
G. H. DREWES, Master, will be
despatched for the above Port
on SATURDAY, the 27th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my27

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
"KARO,"
Captain PINNEY, will be
despatched for the above Port
on the 27th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my27

FOR SWATOW, AMOI & FOCHOW.

The Steamship
"NAMOA,"
Captain WESTBY, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on TUESDAY, the 30th Inst., at
10 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my30

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Steamship
"CHEOPS,"
Captain DRYDEN, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports on
TUESDAY, the 30th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
AD YON.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my30

FOR FOCHOW (DIRECT).

The British Ship
"THERMOPYLE,"
will be despatched for the
above Port on or about the
31st Inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876.

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Brig
"SAN LORENZO,"
Pied Master, will have quick
despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *LOHNE*, Capt. BUTCHER,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods are being
landed at their risk and stored by the
Undersigned at their Godowns, whence and
from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be
obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
31st Inst. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my31

S. S. *KARO*.

FROM ANTWERP AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Goods by the above
Steamer are hereby notified that the
Cargo will be landed and stored at their
risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned,
whence and from the Wharf or Boats
delivery may be obtained.

Goods remaining in store after the 31st
Inst. will be subject to rent.
Optional Cargo will be sent on, unless
notice to the contrary be received before
Noon To-morrow.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 24, 1876. je3

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

LOST ON 23rd INST.
A SMALL black and white Peking
Poo (female), answers to the name of
"JOSIE." Any Person giving information
that will lead to her recovery will receive
the above Reward.

G. B. EMORY,
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my29

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR FOCHOW.

The British Steamship
"FANCOUVER,"
Captain SHAW, will be de-
spatched as above on SAT-
URDAY, the 27th Inst., at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my27

FOR YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship
"LOHNE,"
Capt. BUTCHER, will leave for
the above Port on SATUR-
DAY, the 27th Inst., at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. my27

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to sell by Public Auction,
on

FRIDAY,

the 2nd of June, 1876, at Noon, at the
Harbour Master's Office,—
The Government Steam Launch
"BLANCHE."

The Launch is very Strongly Built of
Teak, with Copper Fastenings. Speed 7
miles an hour. The Boiler is nearly new,
and she is fitted with fresh water Tanks
and Iron Coal Bunkers.

The Launch is capable of carrying
43 Passengers when going outside the
Harbour, and 61 when plying inside the
Harbour. Order for inspection can be
obtained by applying to the Harbour
Master.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of
the hammer, and the Launch to be at
the purchaser's risk on the fall of the
hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Government Auctioneer.
Hongkong, May 25, 1876. je2

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALMA, German barque, Capt. Lehmeier.
—Melchers & Co.

LIZIE, British barque, Captain John
Inokay.—Broadbent, Anthony & Co.

IRISGENIA, German barque, Captain
Matzen.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

MARGARITA, British ship, Capt. Owens.—
Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

HORE, British barque, Captain Boulton.
—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

COMET, American ship, Captain William
B. Bry.

BELED WILL, British ship, Captain J.
Brantwaite.

VOVAX, German barque, Capt. Meyer.—
Wm. Pustau & Co.

VINDEX, British barque, Captain John
Parkhouse.

RUMON, British barque, Capt. Tinsan.
—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

ZOROYA, British barque, Captain Geo.
Scarlett.—Gillman & Co.

TAUNTON, British ship, Captain James
Clark.

JOACHIM CHRISTIAN, German barque,
Captain H. C. Reimer.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

WILLARD MUDGETT, American barque,
Captain J. B. Dickey.—Jardine, Matheson
& Co.

AUGUST, German brig, Captain P. Riis.
—Eduard Schellhaus & Co.

Chartered Effected.

The following settlements have been
effected since last Circular was published:—
British ship *Commissary*, 900, hence to
London, private.

American bark *Wealthy Pendleton*, 809,
hence to San Francisco, private.

American bark *Willard Mudgett*, 875,
hence to Honolulu, private.

British bark *Prince Arthur*, 280, Fochow
to Adelaide, Melbourne or Sydney, private.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 24, *Karo*, British steamer, 970,
Pinang, Antwerp April, via ports of call,
and Singapore May 17, General.—MEYER
& Co.

May 24, *Lorne*, British steamer, 1,035,
M. J. Butcher, London March 31, via
ports of call, and Singapore May 17,
General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

May 24, *Yung Ching*, Chinese str., 661,
Gibson, Shanghai May 21, General.—
C. M. S. N. Co.

May 25, *Hougang*, Chinese steamer, 800,
J. Hutchinson, Chinkiang May 20, 20,000
piculs Rice.—C. M. S. N. Co.

May 25, *Chafow*, British steamer, 684,
K. Hore, Greenock March 27 via ports of
call and Singapore May 17, General.—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

May 25, *August*, German brig, 274, P.
Riis, Newchwang May 9, Beana.—EDUARD
SCHELLHAUS & Co.

May 25, *Ocean*, from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

May 24, *Pratia*, for Tientsin.

24, *Baugh-a-Ballagh*, for Bangkok.

24, *Catherine Martin*, for Suai.

25, *Tartar*, for Tientsin.

25, *Maria Heyden II*, for Chafow.

25, *Yung Ching*, for Canton.

25, *Brighton*, for Fochow.

25, *Douglas*, for Coast Ports.

25, *H. M. S. Keel*, for a cruise.

25, *China*, for Shanghai.

25, *Kjohenhavn*, for Bangkok.

25, *Genoa*, for Nagasaki.

25, *Telo*, Portu. gunboat, for a cruise.

CLEARED.

Setia, for Newchwang.

Yanowser, for Fochow.

Oleg, for Gibon.

Prince Arthur, for Fochow.

Heronymus, for Swatow.

Channel Queen, for London.

Chifoo, for Shanghai via Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

For *Chafow*, 35 Chinese.

For *Karo*, 19 Chinese.

For *Lorne*, 30 Chinese.

For *Yung Ching* from Shanghai, 24
Chinese.

For *Hougang*, from Chinkiang, 8 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

For *Douglas*, for Swatow, Messrs J. K.
Davis and Horton; for Amoy, Mr Wm.
Allanson; for Fochow, Messrs J. P.
Pereira, J. McLeod, and 200 Chinese.

For *Kjohenhavn*, for Bangkok, 1 Cabin
and 20 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Karo* reports: From
Singapore had fine weather with light
winds and much rain throughout. Passed
P. & O. Str. *Hindostan* on the 23rd bound
South.

The British steamer *Lorne* reports: Had
moderately fine weather from London to
Singapore, thence to Hainan light southerly
winds, and from Hainan to port moderate
easterly winds with much rain.

The Chinese steamer *Yung Ching* reports:
Had light N.E. winds and fine weather
throughout the passage. On the 22nd
passed a German gunboat, and on the 24th
one of the Glen line of steamers, and the
S. S. *MacGregor*, both bound North.

The Chinese steamer *Hougang* reports:
First part of passage experienced southerly
winds and thick weather, latter part N.E.
winds with rain.

The German brig *August* reports: Strong
N.E. winds and thick rainy weather.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—
For SAIGON.—
Per *ARATON APOAR*, at 1.30 p.m.
To-morrow, the 26th Inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *KARO*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday,
the 27th Inst.

For SINGAPORE AND PENANG.—
Per *CHEOPS*, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 30th Inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet *AAV* will
be despatched on SATURDAY,
the 27th Inst., with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon,
Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondi-
cherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay,
Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Friday, 26th Inst.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the Night Box,
which remains open all night.

Saturday, 27th Inst.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters closes.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)
addressed to the United Kingdom,
Saigon, or Singapore may be posted
on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents
extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, May 13, 1876. my27

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet *OCEANIC*
will be despatched on THURSDAY,
the 1st June, with Mails for
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for this route, and if not fully prepaid
will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the
West Indies, and other places named
below, if sufficient American Stamp
are added to prepay them from San
Francisco to destination. American
Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hong-
kong Stamps, and 10 cents in U. S.
Stamps to those places only the names
of which are printed in Italics. To all
the other places named correspondence
cannot be Registered through, but only
to San Francisco (8 cents.)

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, May 13, 1876. je1

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—
The English Contract Packet *LOM-
BARDY* will be despatched with the
Mails for Europe, &c., on SATUR-
DAY, the 3rd June.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Friday, June 3.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night
Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, June 4.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry of Letters closes.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted on
payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents
extra Postage until

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)
addressed to the United Kingdom via
Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted
on board the Packet on payment of a
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage.

11.50 a.m., Posting on Board ceases.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, May 23, 1876. je3

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, May 27:—
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
Call and Europe.

4 p.m.—Amoy leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—Karo leaves for Shanghai.

MOXDAY, May 29:—
Goods per *Glenfallach* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, May 30:—
10 a.m.—Nunou leaves for Swatow,
Amoy and Fochow.

4 p.m.—Cheops leaves for Sin.apore and
Penang.

Goods per *Gordon Castle* nr. livered
after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, May 31:—
Thermopylae leaves for Fochow (direct)
on or about this date.

Goods per *Lorne* undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, June 1:—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer *Oceanic* leaves for Yokohama
and San Francisco.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

FRIDAY, June 2:—
Noon.—Sale of Steam Launch *Blanche* at
Harbour Master's Office.

SATURDAY, June 3:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

Goods per *Karo* undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, June 15:—
3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama
and San Francisco.

SATURDAY, Sept. 30:—
Claims against the Estate of Dang Jane,
Leong Alock, John Dodd Smith, Ah
Fong, James Freeman, Tong Quang,
Hung Chew Si Ki, and Felipe A. de
Souza, deceased, must be proved on or
before this date.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Notice of optional cargo per *Karo* to be
given at Noon.

Pernambuco leaves for Saigon.

Auctions.

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs
Lane, Crawford & Co.

TO ADVERTISERS.

The attention of Advertisers is respect-
fully drawn to the fact that a copy of the
China Mail has for some time past been
placed on board of every Steamer and Sail-
ing Vessel on arrival in this Harbour.
Facilities which have recently been placed
within the reach of Captains and Officers of
Ships have resulted in a material increase
to the Subscription List of the *Mail*
amongst the shipping in port; and as
special arrangements have been made to in-
crease the usefulness of the Shipping List
and to extend the circulation in the Bay
these advantages will be at once apparent
to Advertisers.

Orders may be sent to
GEO. MURRAY BAIN,
China Mail Office.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.20 p.m.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, May 13, 1876. my27

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet *OCEANIC*
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SUPPLEMENT
TO THE
CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 25TH MAY, 1876.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Arratoon. Apar	4 k	Peters	Brit. str.	959	May 15	Siemssen & Co.	Salgon	To-morrow
Asia	4 c	Molson	Dan. str.	880	May 24	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Marseilles, &c.	Mails
Ava	5 c	Flouriau	Fch. str.	1303	May 24	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	
Bombay	4 k	Smith	Brit. str.	1327	April 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Andia	4 c	Thomson	Brit. str.	1347	May 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow & Shanghai	
Chefoo	5 h	Hore	Brit. str.	634	May 25	Butterfield & Swire		
Cheops	4 k	Dryden	Brit. str.	983	May 18	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Columbian	4 k	Alderton	Brit. str.	1417	May 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Cyphrenes	5 c	Wood	Brit. str.	1230	May 22	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Glamis Castle	4 c	Dickie	Brit. str.	1539	May 19	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Howsang	4 c	Hutchinson	Chi. str.	800	May 25	M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	27th, 4 p.m.
Karo	5 c	Phinkney	Brit. str.	979	May 24	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Lorne	5 c	Butcher	Brit. str.	1035	May 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Madagascar	4 c	Timm	Ger. str.	834	May 22	Siemssen & Co.		
Maharajah	...	Stephenson	Brit. str.	934	May 15	Siemssen & Co.	Ab'deen Dock	
Merzuleh	5 c	Pasqualini	Fch. str.	1003	May 23	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	Mails
Oceanic	4 k	Parsell	Brit. str.	2349	May 13	P. & O. S. S. Co.	Yama & S. F. cisco	Mails, 1st px.
Orchis	8 h	Butlin	Brit. str.	1137	May 13	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Pasig	2 h	Lopez	Span. str.	17	May 7	Remedios & Co.		Repairing
Pawtuxet	4 k	...	Amer. str.	280	June 18	Aug. Heard & Co.		Laid up
Pernambuco	4 h	Hyde	Brit. str.	643	June 21	Ab. Yon	Salgon	To-morrow
Statesman	6 h	Valiant	Brit. str.	1209	May 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sunda	4 k	Lee	Brit. str.	1029	May 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Vancouver	7 k	Shaw	Brit. str.	2923	May 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Foochow	
Vasco de Gama	...	Rice	Brit. str.	2040	May 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		Ab'deen Dock
Washi	6 h	Hunter	Brit. str.	262	May 23	Landstein & Co.		
Yottung	2 h	...	Brit. str.	324	June 3	Kwok Acheong		Repairing
Sailing Vessels								
Alma	8 h	Lehmeyer	Ger. bk.	385	April 26	Melchers & Co.		
American Lloyds	4 k	Park	Amer. bk.	510	May 21	Captain		
Anna	4 k	Jessen	Ger. bk.	448	May 9	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Anna	5 c	Wittneisen	Ger. bk.	862	May 12	Melchers & Co.	San Francisco	
Annie Fish	3 c	Hiffas	Amer. sb.	1496	April 23	Russell & Co.		
Belted Will	3 c	Branthwaite	Brit. sb.	812	May 19	Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.		
Bua-Pan	2 c	Moller	Siam. sb.	570	May 19	Kin-ye-long		
Brigitta	4 c	Keroger	Ger. 3m. sc.	370	May 27	Russell & Co.	Foochow	
British Crown	7 h	Andrew	Brit. bk.	445	April 27	Mayer & Co.	London	
Caroline	4 c	Turnbull	Brit. sb.	937	May 15	Order		
Caroline Behn	1 k	Schmidt	Ger. bk.	673	April 24	Siemssen & Co.		
Channel Queen	4 k	Lenfestey	Brit. sb.	609	May 12	Mayer & Co.	London	
Charles Maureau	4 k	Quatrous	Fch. bk.	368	May 24	Landstein & Co.		
Chas. C. Leary	3 c	Stephen	Amer. bk.	641	April 24	Captain		
Chateaubriand	3 k	Herve	Fch. bk.	384	May 20	Carlowitz & Co.		
Cheng Soon	2 h	Cheng Sang	Siam. sch.	200	April 8	Chinese		
Christina A. P.	3 c	Federico	Amer. sch.	175	Jan. 8	Order	San Francisco	
Comet	4 c	Bray	Amer. sb.	1157	April 23	Vassall & Co.		
Commissary	8 h	Hunter	Brit. sb.	900	April 23	Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.	London	
Daylight	2 h	Redemaker	Siam. bk.	447	May 17	Kin-ye-long		
Deutschland	3 c	Filmann	Ger. bk.	269	May 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		Repairing
Dora	1 c	L. zarongo	Span. bg.	322	May 19	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Emma	3 c	Grau	Ger. bk.	340	May 21	Edvard Schellhass & Co.	Nicolavoski	
Feiga	4 c	Christiansen	Dan. bk.	316	April 29	Melchers & Co.		
Ferdinand	3 k	Westergaard	Ger. bk.	416	May 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	Spratt's Dock
Flodden	4 k	Murdoch	Brit. bk.	337	May 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hastings	...	Craig	Brit. bk.	641	May 19	Siemssen & Co.		
Hieronymus	8 c	Beahl	Ger. bk.	400	May 27	Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.	London	
Hope	4 c	Boulton	Brit. bk.	464	April 24	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Iphigenia	4 c	Matzen	Ger. bk.	464	April 24	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
J. H. Jensen	4 c	Rasmussen	Ger. bk.	275	May 18	Wm. Pustau & Co.		Cos'tan Dock
Jerfalcon	...	Bentley	Brit. sch.	287	May 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Joachim Christian	4 c	Reimer	Ger. bk.	457	May 22	Russell & Co.		
John Milton	8 c	Murphy	Brit. sb.	618	May 12	Carlowitz & Co.		
Kate Tatham	4 k	Mackesey	Brit. bk.	275	May 23	Edvard Schellhass & Co.		
Kronprinzessen	3 c	Hamlin	Dan. bk.	344	May 23	Edvard Schellhass & Co.	Foochow	
Lochiel	3 c	Ewen	Brit. sch.	216	May 3	Thuk Mee & Co.		
Lucra	2 c	Colberg	Siam. bk.	432	May 15	Wah Cheong		
Lulu	4 k	Ryan	Amer. 3m. sc.	388	May 15	Order		
Lycka Till	1 h	Rinesl	Ital. sb.	1013	May 15	Order	San Francisco	
Margarite	4 k	Owens	Brit. sb.	864	Mar. 17	Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Marquis of Argyll	2 k	McKeon	Brit. bk.	500	April 10	Rozario & Co.		
May	7 h	Plumley	Brit. 3m. sc.	237	May 19	Olyphant & Co.		
Minna	8 c	Thuren	Ger. bk.	455	May 11	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Mount Lebanon	8 h	Hall	Brit. 3m. sc.	580	April 23	Rozario & Co.		
Oceanus	8 c	Breckwoldt	Ger. 3m. sc.	335	May 19	Siemssen & Co.	Guam	
Otago	3 c	Snadden	Brit. bk.	435	April 26	Captain		
Otter Caps	8 c	Morday	Brit. bk.	582	May 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Papa	8 c	Paasch	Ger. bk.	753	May 11	Siemssen & Co.		
Prince Arthur	4 c	Wells	Brit. bk.	286	April 28	Siemssen & Co.	Adelaide & Melbourne	
Racehorse	2 h	Olsen	Siam. bk.	357	May 10	Siemssen & Co.		
Rebecca	3 c	Bundgaard	Ger. bk.	408	May 23	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Rota	7 c	Hansen	Dan. sb.	862	May 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
San Lorenzo	4 c	Pico	Span. bg.	220	May 14	Remedios & Co.	Newchwang	McD's Slip
Scotia	...	Duncan	Brit. bk.	321	May 4	Edvard Schellhass & Co.		
Swallow	2 c	Howes	Amer. sb.	1239	April 23	Order		
Taunton	3 c	Clark	Brit. sb.	638	May 18	Siemssen & Co.	Foochow	
Thermopylae	8 c	Matheson	Brit. sb.	948	May 11	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Titan	8 c	Berry	Amer. sb.	1226	May 19	Messageries Maritimes		
Vesta	4 k	Dirks	Ger. bk.	302	May 21	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin	
Victor	2 k	Sorensen	Norw. bg.	247	May 15	Edvard Schellhass & Co.		
Victory	...	Whiting	Brit. bg.	285	May 22	Yuen Fat Hong		
Vindex	7 c	Parkhouse	Brit. bk.	290	May 3	Landstein & Co.		
Wealthy Pendleton	1 c	Blandhard	Amer. bk.	809	Mar. 30	Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.	San Francisco	Repairing
Willard Mudgett	8 c	Dickey	Amer. bk.	875	May 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Honolulu	10th prox.
Willie	4 k	Badenoch	Brit. 3m. sc.	274	May 20	Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.		
Wodan	3 k	Meyer	Ger. bk.	439	May 7	Meyer & Co.	S'pore & Mauritius	
Young Sam	2 c	Benedictson	Siam. sb.	701	May 12	Keen-ye-long		
Zoroya	3 k	Scarlett	Brit. bk.	389	May 19	Gilman & Co.		
WHAMPOA								
Cap Horn	...	Green	Ger. bk.	401	May 23	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Tientsin	
Charité	...	Harve	Fch. bk.	235	May 25	Carlowitz & Co.		
Charter Oak	...	Smith	Amer. sb.	953	May 4	Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.	New York	
Lizzie	...	Inokay	Brit. bk.	385	May 17	Broadbear, Anthony & Co.	Chefoo	
Rubicon	...	Finnsan	Brit. 3m. sc.	204	May 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
CANTON								
Amoy	...	Drewes	Brit. str.	314	May 21	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Ocean	...	Jaques	Brit. str.	971	May 21	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Yungching	...	Gibbon	Chi. str.	661	May 25	C. M. S. N. Co.		

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Ariadne	6 c	German	corvette	1380	6	400	May 21	Kühne
Cyclop	on Slip	German	gunboat	360	6	80	May 11	Von Reiche
Flamer	7 h	British	aux. naval hospital	...	...	...	...	D. M. Insp. Gen. Morgan
Hertha	7 c	German	corvette	2200	19	400	May 13	Knorr
Hornet	7 h	British	gun vessel	461	4	120	May 16	Hippisley
Kearsarge	6 k	American	corvette	638	6	500	April 20	F. V. McNair
Kestrel	6 h	British	gun vessel	462	4	100	Mar. 15	C. B. Theobald
Meeanee	6 k	British	military hospital	2501	...	...	...	Capt. Becker
Tojo	6 c	Portug.	gun vessel	448	2	100	May 23	F. Amaral
Thistle	6 c	British	gun vessel	464	...	...	May 15	Francis Stirling
Victor Emanuel	6 h	British	Commodore's flag ship	3087	2	...	...	Commodore Watson
Yantic	6 c	American	gunboat	410	3	238	May 19	R. S. McCook
At Canton								
Palao	...	American	gunboat	306	...	...	April 18	W. R. Bridgeman

throne (the pangeran Tumongong), had reached no high a pitch that the City was plunged into a state of anarchy. The followers of the two Potentates could not meet without a controversy. Many cases of "krising" in the dark were reported, and the Tumongong's palace had been actually set on fire twice; while bands of men, evidently bound on no friendly errand, had been discovered on several occasions in the immediate neighbourhood of the Sultan's residence. The British Representative at Brunei believes the trouble to have arisen from the impatience of the Tumongong to obtain the throne before his age becomes too great for his enjoyment, and has stated that he has so reported to his Government. A Tin mine which promises very well in the future has been discovered in Patahan. It is proposed to work it with Chinese labour through the Chinese Captain at Brunei. The reception of Rajah Brooke by the Sultan was very cold. No salutes were fired, nor preparations made either at his coming or departure.

H. E. Governor Usher arrived in Labuan on the 21st April. Dr. Treacher, the late Colonial Secretary of that Colony, has taken his departure for Europe. His fine stock of cattle (some 300 heads) have been disposed of to the Spanish troops garrisoning Sulu. There is a report that ex-Governor Low intends returning home soon, but it is not generally credited. His only daughter is with her husband (Geo. Pope Hennessey) at Barbados.

Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)
May 25, 1876.

THE ALLEGED CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD.

The charge against Robert Duncan and M. J. Rozario, for conspiracy to defraud the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, was proceeded with before Mr. Russell at the Police Court this morning.

Mr. Brereton appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. Kingsmill, instructed by Mr. Denys, appeared for the defence of Mr. Duncan.

Mr. Handley, instructed by Messrs Stephens and Holmes, for Mr. Rozario.

Mr. Sang, comrade to Messrs Douglas Laprak & Co., was again put into the box and examined by Mr. Brereton.

When monthly payments were made, for people in the Docks, Asing, Mr. Rozario and some others came. They presented me a comrade's order and I told the person having it to sign on the back of it. When Asing received payments he always went to a side-table not far from me, about five feet, and put the money on it. Sometimes I heard Asing having conversations with Mr. Rozario at the table, but what they said I did not hear. When they talked they had their sides towards me. I did not see what they did with the money. The conversations lasted five or six minutes, and both then left together. Entries of payments were made by the Dock comrade.

By the Court.—The Dock people have always been paid at our office, but for the last two years, a separate comrade has been employed for the Docks. I am security for him, and that is why I keep the money in my own office.

Mr. M. Gomez was recalled.—The book produced is the Stock Book from 1st July 1874 to 30th June 1875. The other produced is the Stock Book from 1st July 1875 to date. This is the book we are now using. They belong to the Hongkong Whampoa Dock Company, kept at Kowloon. I keep them. The entries are not all in my writing. They contained the writing of Mr. Driver and Mr. Rozario also. Mr. Driver is not in Hongkong now, but Mr. Paz is.

Mr. Kingsmill made some technical objections to the admission of these books, and Mr. Brereton withdrew them.

Young Akwai, shroff to Mr. Robert Walker, was examined: (Cheque A.B. put into his hand). I recognise the document. It is a cheque dated 12th April 1876 on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. I recognise it by its bearing the name of Yee Hing. I got that cheque on account of Mr. Walker on the 21st April 1876. I saw Yee Hing write on the back of it. I handed the cheque to Mr. Walker, who told me to take it to the Oriental Bank. I did so and paid it into the bank. I got back a receipt for it.

Mr. J. R. Morrison, assistant accountant in the Oriental Bank, was called: (Cheque A.B. put into his hand). I don't remember the document except by the amount of it. I remember receiving a cheque of that amount on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. I cannot say that the cheque passed through my hands. (A slip produced) I know the slip; it is dated 21st April 1876. It bears my initials. The amount on it is \$1,749.08. This is a credit slip. It is for a cheque on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. I know it as a fact that I received that amount from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, our shroff having collected it.

Mr. Addyman was recalled:—Captain Minto was Secretary to the Company in January 1872. He went home that year on twelve months' leave; he went away about March. Mr. Duncan performed his duties during his absence. Mr. Duncan was appointed Acting Secretary. Capt. Minto never returned and Mr. Duncan was confirmed in the appointment in 1873, in June I believe, and remained in the date of his dismissal about the beginning of this year. He met with an accident last September and has not performed any duties since. He was paid up to the end of November 1875. Previous to his appointment as Acting Secretary, Mr. Duncan was employed in the Company. He was General Manager at Kowloon. He was General Manager before I joined the Company. Mr. Rozario, the 2nd defendant, has been in the employ of the Company for many years. He was chief clerk at Kowloon when I joined in 1871. He was chief clerk before I joined. He ceased to be so when he was dismissed, last December I think. He was in the Company's employ when the Company's accounts were made up at the close of the year.

Mr. A. E. Cope was recalled:—(Cheque marked A.B. put into his hand—dated 12th April 1876) I identify it as a cheque drawn on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company. It was paid. I saw it go to from looking on the face of it. I know it is paid from certain marks on it and the "paid" stamp. There are no marks of mine on it. I only know it was paid by certain marks made by other clerks. From my own personal knowledge, I can say that the cheque was paid.

Mr. Kingsmill: What is that personal knowledge? I saw it paid.

Witness: No, I did not.

The Magistrate thought the best way of giving the payment was to get some of the marks who made the marks on it to prove it. That would be the best evidence.

Mr. Brereton said he would do that.

In answer to the Court, Mr. Brereton said he would close the case to-day.

The Magistrate asked what Mr. Kingsmill proposed doing in regard to the defence. Would he open the case for the defence, or reserve it?

Mr. Kingsmill said he would reserve it.

Mr. Handley observed that he would also reserve his defence.

The case was then adjourned till 2.30 p.m. for Mr. Brereton to call the necessary witnesses to prove payment, when the case would be committed for trial.

Mr. Kingsmill applied for bail.

The Court asked if the offence charged was a bailable offence.

Mr. Kingsmill replied that it was; conspiracy was only a misdemeanor.

Mr. Kingsmill pointed out that it was a conspiracy to defraud.

Mr. Kingsmill said the charge went no higher than that of swindling goods to the Company by a person in its employ at a higher rate than they could be got elsewhere. It was a fit subject for damages.

Mr. Brereton begged to differ from Mr. Kingsmill's remarks. What he had said referred to a single case of selling at a higher rate. There was another phase in the charge, that of obtaining money by false pretences.

Mr. Kingsmill contended that, even with this second aspect, bail should still be allowed.

The Magistrate asked if false pretence was a bailable offence.

Mr. Kingsmill replied that it was, being only a misdemeanor.

The Magistrate said that, under the Act of Vict. 11 and 12 C. 42, there were two classes of misdemeanors, in one class of which the Magistrate was bound to admit to bail, while in the other it was optional. False pretence was one of those offences which was discretionary to him to allow bail or not, and what his Worship had said before on this subject would apply here. He did not think he could take the responsibility of allowing bail, and this was a matter which should be properly left to the opinion of the higher Court.

After further discussion, Mr. Kingsmill urged, as another reason for bail, that the regimen or rule in the gaol in regard to persons on remand was very severe. They were treated like prisoners.

The Magistrate said he understood that men on remand were only kept there for safe custody.

Mr. Kingsmill observed that they were kept in a cell and deprived of all comforts. Mr. Duncan could not even speak to his wife without some one being present.

Mr. Wardin Gray, of the Gaol, who happened to be in Court, was asked by the Magistrate what the rule was in the gaol about this matter.

Mr. Gray replied that every one on remand was put into the remand ward, one for Chinese and one for Europeans. It was not a cell but a ward.

Mr. Russell said if there was anything to complain of, the complaint should be made to the Executive. He understood that men on remand were simply sent there for safe custody, and that they could have every comfort.

Mr. Handley said they were not allowed even to read a newspaper. His client wanted some newspapers to read, but was refused.

His Worship observed that this was a matter for representation.

Mr. Kingsmill urged that they were treated like criminals, and that this amounted to punishment before conviction.

His Worship remarked that this was not the intention of the law, and he would make a note of it. However, the rule of the Gaol was not a thing which he could interfere with, and he had only his duty to perform. He considered it his imperative duty to refuse bail, and whatever grievances they had to complain of in connection with this detention, it was a matter for them to represent to the Government. He dared say, Mr. Denys, the Attorney in the case, would do the needful for them.

The case was then adjourned till 2.30 p.m.

When the Court resumed, Yew Akoo, shroff in the Oriental Bank, was examined:—I know the cheque now shown me. I have seen it before. It was brought to the bank by Mr. Walker's shroff. I was sent to collect it at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. I received payment for it.

This closed the case for the prosecution, and Mr. Brereton applied for the commitment of the prisoners on the charge of conspiracy to defraud and of obtaining money, under false pretences, and furthermore, under sections 67 and 68 of the Larceny Ordinance. Mr. Brereton then proceeded to read section 67 as follows:

Whoever, being a director, public officer, or manager of any body Corporate or public Company, shall as such receive or possess himself of any of the property of such body Corporate or public Company otherwise than in payment of a just debt or demand, and shall with intent to defraud, omit to make or to cause or to direct to be made a full and true entry thereof in the books and accounts of such body Corporate or public Company, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

His Worship said this did not apply; it only meant directors and trustees &c. and did not refer to servants in the employ of a company. It was a different class of frauds altogether. In this case, the defendant was not a director, nor a trustee. However, it was no use to discuss the matter now; he would commit on a general charge of indictable offences, of which there was *prima facie* evidence, and the Attorney General would be responsible for the drawing up of the indictments.

Mr. Denys, in the absence of Mr. Kingsmill, called attention to the fact of the inability to try the defendants next sessions.

The Magistrate said this would be a ground for motion in the higher Court; he only committed the defendants to Gaol until released by due process of law.

The prisoners were then removed.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)

DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

James Dee, seaman on board the steamer *Genoa*, was charged with being drunk and shouting near the Harbour Master's office and the station, and he was committed to the station.

The Constable who arrested him wanted him to walk to the station, but he said he would have a chair at Government expense. When near the station, he jumped out and pushed the chair-coolies down, and it required four Constables to carry him to the station. The defendant said he was very

drunk. Fined \$1, and to pay 10 cents chair-hire, in default, two days' imprisonment.

A FALSE CHARGE.

Mr. Thomas MacLaughlin, second officer of the British barque *Canidia*, was brought up on the charge of stealing a pair of shoes from a shoe-maker who had gone on board to sell his wares. The charge turned out to be false, and the complainant was fined \$5. The defendant bought the shoes and told the complainant to wait till the Captain's return when he would be paid. The defendant then went into the hold to his work and did not come up again until the Police arrived. The Magistrate made some enquiry as to how the defendant came to be arrested instead of being summoned, and it resulted in the Captain Superintendent giving orders to the police that complainants of this kind should be recommended in future to apply for summonses.

MANSLAUGHTER.

John O'Neil, a seaman belonging to the British ship *Leven Castle* who was sent from Manila for trial, was again brought up to-day. He was now formally committed to take his trial for killing John Thomas Jones, the second officer of that ship.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

Malta, April 25.—Destructive fires have occurred here. On Sunday at mid-day the Officers' (0.04) Hunsars) bungalow was burnt. On Monday night the Regimental Bazaar, and twenty native houses, with thatched roofs, were completely destroyed. The weather is hot and dry, and everything highly combustible.

Galle, April 20.—The Dutch steamer *Madura*, with coal supposed to be ignited in her bunkers, has arrived. She is discharging it, so as to take in fresh coal. 152 passengers on board, 92 first class.

London, April 23.—The Proclamation declaring the Queen to be Empress of India was issued to-day. After the recital, the Proclamation declares that, so far as may be convenient, on all occasions and in all instruments wherein the style and titles of Her Majesty are used, excepting charters, commissions, letters patent, grants, writs of appointment, and similar instruments not operating beyond the United Kingdom, the following addition to the style and titles pertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies, shall henceforth be made:—In the Latin tongue—*India Imperatrix*. In English—*Empress of India*. The Proclamation further states that all coinage shall continue to be lawful without the additional title, until the Queen's pleasure is further declared.

London, April 28.—Her Majesty has been pleased to confer a Baronetcy on Sir Bartle Frere. —The *Dunraven*, Captain Cane, bound from Bombay to Liverpool, has been lost in the Red Sea. The crew were saved. —The total amount tendered for the new Indian Loan of £4,000,000 was £3,600,000. Tenderers at £102 8s. will receive about 73 per cent of the above in full.

London, May 1.—The Reverend Doctor Myne was consecrated to-day as Bishop of Bombay, the ceremony being performed at St. Paul's Cathedral by his grace the Archbishop of Canterbury. —In receiving the Proclamation declaring the Queen to be Empress of India, the Liberal papers sharply criticized the absence of words limiting Her Majesty's title of Empress to India only, as was promised by Mr. Disraeli.

London, May 1.—The Prince of Wales arrived here to-day from Cadiz.

Vienna, May 1.—The Turks have succeeded in relieving Nikisch, the insurgents in this engagement having been defeated.

London, May 2.—In the House of Commons, this evening, in reply to a question of Mr. James, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that the Proclamation covered pledges made by Her Majesty's Government. Mr. Disraeli, in answer to Sir Charles Dilke, said that the employment of Imperial title would be necessary for Commissions to officers in the Army on account of the employment of troops in India, otherwise the Proclamation completely covers all the exceptions enumerated Sir W. Harcourt's question of 3rd April. In the House of Lords, the Lord Chancellor refused Lord Selborne's charge, that the Proclamation in any way violated the solemn pledges made to localize the title.—The Queen has been pleased to confer the Grand Cross of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George on His Highness the Maharajah of Johore.

Simla, May 3.—The Viceroy's Legislative Council will not commence its meetings, probably for another month. The latest news from the Kohat border reports that everything is quiet.

London, May 3.—In the House of Commons last night, Mr. Disraeli, in the name of the Queen, denied the assertion of Mr. Lowe that two of Her Majesty's former Prime Ministers were ever requested to propose a new title for Her Majesty.

Berlin, May 3.—Prince Bismarck's scheme for transferring the German Railways to the Empire, has been duly voted in the Reichstag.

London, May 3.—The race for the 2,000 Guinea Stakes to-day resulted as follows:—

Petrarch 1
Julius Cesar 2
Glacis 3

London, May 4.—The third horse in the race for the Two Thousand Guinea Stakes is *Kaledoscopy*. Her Imperial Majesty, the Empress Augusta of Germany, has arrived at Windsor Castle on a visit to Her Majesty.

Vienna, May 4.—Count Andrássy, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, is about to proceed to Berlin in order to confer with Prince Bismarck and Prince Gortchakoff on the Eastern Question.

Aden, May 4.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's *Bohara*, with outward mails of the 21st ultimo, left here for Bombay at 9 o'clock yesterday evening.

London, May 4.—In the House of Commons this evening on Mr. James introducing a motion that the proclamation was inadequate to prevent the use of the Imperial title in documents, other than those pertaining to India, Mr. Disraeli agreed to fix Thursday next for discussion of the motion as a vote of censure and want of confidence.

Philadelphia, May 4.—The United States Government has resolved to abrogate the extradition clause in the Arbitration Treaty of 1862, in consequence of the English Government refusing the unconditional extradition of Winslow, an American subject held in London on a charge of forgery.

Kangkon, May 4.—The King of Burmah has sent a steamer with a Burmese escort to accompany the British troops, who are expected to return to Mandalay about the 25th inst.

China.

SHANGHAI.

(Courier.)

By our passenger-list we notice the arrival of the Right Rev. Bishop Burton from Foochow.

Advices from Nanking report the occurrence of a severe thunderstorm and the fall of a thunderbolt, which seems to have smashed the coffin of a defunct Celestial who had been buried thirty years, spreading his bones and great dismay in all directions.

We are sorry to hear that there has been, and we believe still is, a mad dog in Hong-kow and that it has bitten a foreigner. Three other dogs have also been bitten by it, and all four are said to be at large. The first animal was chased by a constable, but unluckily escaped; the remaining three have been simply recommended by the police to the notice of the owner, but, as we hear, not killed. This is reprehensible, and we urgently advocate their immediate destruction before they have the chance of doing any mischief.

In regard to the loan of Five Millions of Taels which the Tuo-tai was commissioned to negotiate in Shanghai, we have since ascertained that after being unsuccessful with the various European Banks, he also addressed himself to the China Merchants Co., who seem for a time to have entertained his proposals. But on finding that previous to coming to them the Tuo-tai had tried to make arrangements elsewhere and failed, the Company at once withdrew from competition.

Rumours have been current for some time that the Director of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, Mr. Tong King-sing, was going to resign his post; but we have hitherto abstained from mentioning it, on account of the source of our information, not having been quite reliable. We have however again been assured from different quarters that the rumour has become an established fact, and a successor to the vacant office has been appointed, whose name we have not been able to ascertain.

Sung Pao-hwa, the wei-yuen who accompanied the Grosvenor Mission to Yunnan, has returned to Shanghai.

A trifling business in shares has been done during the week, generally at previous rates, though Gas Shares have advanced one point, North-China's Tls. 5, and Hongkong Fires \$10. The general impotency prevents any animation.

The *Hankow* seems to have been delayed from touching the ground about twenty-five miles below Kiating, owing, it is said, to the foggy weather. She very soon got off, however, and passed the Red Buoy at a quarter-past three this afternoon (May 25th). The *Glenarney* was to leave Hankow on the morning of the 19th.

We hear by the *Taku* that the weather in Tientsin is extremely hot and that on Friday and Thursday last the thermometer stood at 105° in the shade. The Buddhist priest who placed so much confidence in his prayers has fallen a victim to his belief and was burnt last Friday in the presence of many thousands of spectators, who witnessed the sacrifice with much delight. The steamer *Shinking* was to leave last Sunday with Mr. Seward on board.

We are now in possession of some definite advices from Kwei-chow respecting the disturbances in Szechuen.—That amiable Chancellor, whose some-time "Memorial" has been recently attracting attention among foreigners, has issued a Circular instigating the masses to rise against the native Christians of that province. The step may prove a foolish and a perilous one on his part, for, as our Correspondent at Kwei-yang En points out, the Catholics in Szechuen number no fewer than three hundred thousand strong, and consist in many instances of some of the most enlightened men in the province. It is so far satisfactory to hear that the rebellion which was giving such anxiety to the authorities in Kwang-si has been effectually quelled.

(News.)

A somewhat romantic though not very pleasant incident for one of the parties concerned, was brought to light the other day, through the agency of the Police. About a fortnight ago, the pretty, small-footed wife of a petty mandarin at Soochow, left her home with her husband's consent, to visit some friends in Shanghai. On arriving here, she missed the person who was to meet her, and wandered about the streets, lost. After some time, she was met by an elderly coolie woman, with whom she entered into conversation, and who soon persuaded her to go for shelter to a house in Smith's Market. Here, the old woman struck a bargain with some one she met in the house, and actually sold her companion to him for \$30; the latter staying in the house, it is said, without making any disturbance, and has remained there ever since. Meanwhile, the husband, thinking the time for his wife's return overdue, came to Shanghai in search of her, and with the assistance of the Police, found her in the house alluded to. The other afternoon, he took both his wife and the coolie woman to the Central Police Station, and there questioned them very closely as to their proceedings, taking down their statements in writing, during which operation he bestowed many a thing but reassuring looks upon his wife, who stood white and trembling behind the bar. After ascertaining all he could in the manner indicated, the whole party trudged off to the Mixed Court Magistrate's Yamen, where all the peculiarities of the case will doubtless be brought to light, and justice perhaps administered.

A disturbance which might have had some serious results, occurred at 8.30 on the morning of the 17th on the French Concession. A mob of about a dozen Chinese soldiers in uniform were forcibly taking a native into the city, when they were stopped by a foreign policeman, who naturally interfered, whereupon he was himself set on by the bravoes, who attempted to take him also into the city. Timely warning was however given at the Central Police Station, whence a small body of constables went to the rescue, and succeeded in apprehending four of the soldiers. The native who was being taken into the city had been sent for—presumably by a Mandarin from the Settlement North of the Yang-King-Pai; and it is a wonder they succeeded in getting him away without interference. In the scuffle, the French Policeman lost his hat, and was on the point of having his sword taken from him, when assistance came.

The French Mixed Court sat specially on the afternoon to hear the details of the affair. It would appear that a petty military Mandarin had sent 20 of his men to get back a bird belonging to him, which had been sold to the inmate of a tea-shop in the Honan Road. The holder of the bird refusing to give it up, was set upon by the soldiers and taken away by main force. The Mandarin of the Mixed Court has ordered the four prisoners to be sent to the Tso-tai.

NINGPO.

19th May, 1876.

The tail-cutting epidemic has not reached Ningpo yet, but certain documents having five characters, representing a magic charm, have been sent down here from Shanghai, the fortunate possessors of such charm being gravely assured that their tails are safe from becoming suddenly shortened! A number of the natives have arrived at the following conclusion with reference to this tail-cutting business. Somebody, well-to-do in this world's riches, was discovered in a questionable transaction, and while endeavoring to escape—his tail parted company with his head. As he did not like the real reason of his leaving his tail behind to be known, he stated that some evil spirit had been at work.

To give colour to his statement he got up a "sing-song," and while the gaping crowds were ears and eyes intent, his agent kindly relieved a few of the lookers on of their queues.

The steamer *Yangtze* arrived here this morning from the South. She brings three thousand packages, including one hundred and sixty-five chests of Opium.—*Shanghai Courier Correspondent.*

SOOCHOW.

You have referred from time to time to the various rumours with which most of the cities of this district are filled, and especially to the curious epidemic of tail-cutting. Some of the more prominent of these rumours are perhaps worth mentioning. One is that the tail-cutting movement originated at Chinkiang, and is connected in some way with the soldiers who are just now stationed in large numbers within a short distance of that city. The "Grand tour" of the Viceroy through this province is connected, so the stories run, with the Woosung railroad. It is well known that he is spending much time and attention in the thorough review of all the troops of this district, and in numberless cases the severest discipline has been meted out to negligent or inefficient soldiers. The object of all this, it is stated, is owing to a well-conceived design relating to the infant tramway. The Chinese call this "the centipede" owing to the hundred- feet like appearance of the sleepers, and these skilled in Feng-shui state that the signs portend disastrous consequences to the country. The centipede is stretched across the Dragon and will inflict a fatal sting; hence, at whatever cost by force if necessary, the evil centipede must be quickly destroyed. Shanghai is, therefore, the ultimate destination of both troops and Viceroy. The atmosphere here seems overcharged with similar alarming and probably utterly baseless reports. While laying no great stress upon the silly fears which daily agitate the people, it is perhaps worth noting just at this particular juncture how very prevalent are rumours pointing to increased antipathy to foreigners, and how rapidly a feeling of distrust in the present dynasty is spreading among all classes. There were similar inflammable stories about this time last year; has the approaching summer-heat anything to do with it?

The Secret Societies in Soochow are stated to be on the qui vive and awaiting only the right time and the right man, what their object is, is of course known only to the initiated.—*Shanghai Courier Correspondent.*

TIENTSIN.

May, 9th 1876.

A few days since the remark was made in this correspondence, referring to the closing of the South Gate as a stimulus to rain, that the Fire Principle might revenge himself by sitting down in about four acres of cornfields and other fuel just outside. Almost as soon as this ill-timed suggestion had an opportunity to get itself considered, the Fire Principle proceeded to act upon it, which took place on the evening of the 7th instant, and the consequence is that a large quantity of combustible material, and several rather incombustible mud houses, now "slumber in the valley." The houses at the foreign settlement a mile and a-half distant were illuminated by the lurid light, before which even the full moon paled its ineffable fires, and the whole even rivalled the glare of the Municipal street lamps.

An immense number of spectators, started at several tens of thousands, including many mandarins of miscellaneous grades were present, and all the forty-eight regular fire-companies of the city, besides other subordinate ones, all engaged in throwing the althoat possible water from the city ditch close by upon places where it could do no good. The inevitable "fire pigcen," whose indeterminate droles and final flight are watched with close and most superstitious awe, did not fail to appear, and having indicated by his course that the fire would spread across the wall into the city, caused the most intense excitement there. Fortunately the wind was comparatively light, and the damage done, considering the terror inspired, was trifling. The next day in a violent gale another conflagration broke out at the south west corner of the city, destroying the grass intended for horses and donkeys, but no houses.

The season continues excessively dry, only "three pints of water" having fallen within the last month, in spite of the liberal petitions to every God by all people whatsoever. The most recent sensational story relates to a Buddhist priest who has conceived the idea of doing a little temple-building at the expense of the public credulity and has accordingly after interviewing the high officials for permission, announced that he will pay for rain for a period of six or seven days, on an altar for that purpose erected near the Sungwang Miao, and if within the specified time rain does not fall, he will be burned alive. A general curiosity is manifested to know whether this man's time is not almost up, and there is reason to fear that unless the few drops left evening be accepted as the redemption, he will have come to the end of his shrift.

Apocryphal of the present high price of grain, which has advanced ten cash per catty within the past few weeks, and showing that the Chinese are not wholly devoid of humour, a story is going the rounds of the Tientsin rice merchant who went to Newchwang to buy supplies. As he had on hand a large stock of ordinary (large) rice,

as well as of millet—"small rice"—he was much disturbed in spirit to learn what cheap prices prevailed in that region. He wrote back forthwith an imperative order that all at home, both small and great, should at once be sold. In his mental perturbation he omitted the character for rice, which changed the sense into a command that his whole family was to be sold into immediate slavery.

The dust-storms in their pertinacity and violence—equal the palmist days of last season, and literally carry everything before them. As yet there is no settled weather, and no one knows what to expect for each next day.

Mr. E. T. Sheppard, United States Consul, returned from Peking on the 5th instant. Mr. Seward, United States Minister, is expected down in a few days on his way south to bring his family northward. He will probably be back in Peking within a few weeks.

A Chinese gunboat, having accomplished the arduous enterprise of taking delivery of the wife or wives, and daughter or daughters, of a certain mandarin or mandarin, has returned to its former haunts.—*Shanghai Courier.*

TIENTSIN.

May 10th, 1876.

A few days ago, a Buddhist priest arrived here from some remote place, and announced his ability to procure rain. It is said that he secured an interview with the Governor-General, and said that if rain did not fall sufficient to saturate the ground within five days, he might behead him. Monday was the last day of grace, and the Chinese were wandering on Monday evening, what the end would be, as no rain had fallen. But it fell before morning, and Governor Li did not remove the poor fellow's head, although the rain was barely enough to lay the dust.

H. E. Mr. Seward is expected here in a day or two, and will probably leave for Shanghai by the *Shinking*, on Sunday morning next. We learn that he had an interview with Prince Kung, who called upon him on the 4th inst.

The eldest child, a little girl, of G. W. Collins, Esq., died very suddenly on Monday night, of typhoid fever. She had only been being slightly a day or two, really ill for only a day. Among the Chinese there is a great deal of sickness, many cases being of fever.

A high south-westerly wind prevails to-night, and the atmosphere is very dry and trying to one's nerves.—*N. C. News Correspondent.*

HANKOW TEA-MARKET.

May 13th, 1876.

